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RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed July 6, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time is submitted herewith to extend the response deadline until January 6, 2005. Applicant elects the species of Figure 1 for consideration at this time. Figure 1 is a general schematic illustration of the invention. As stated on page 5, beginning at line 6, Figure 2 "shows a further embodiment of the invention, in which the features of the schematically illustrated embodiment of Figure 1 are incorporated into a tap assembly ... having a single operating lever." In describing Figure 1, the specification (page 4, lines 27-28) states that the "dual purpose water control valve 25 can be quite simply a standard cold water control knob, button, or handle ...." Claims 1-4 clearly read upon the elected species. Applicant submits that Claim 5 also reads upon Figure 1, in view of the specification description. Applicant submits that claim1 is generic to both species.

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Applicants understand that upon allowance of a generic claim, the Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to the additional species.

If the Examiner requires any further information he is requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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